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LOWELL, KENT COUNTY, MICH., DECEMBER 9, 1893.

NO. 24.

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P R E S E N T S !

WHAT IS DOING.

Lowell People are "Rasseling" with the Grip.

THE COUNTY POOR HOUSE CROWDED.

A Keene Young Woman Married Wednesday.

LOWELL SENDS THE MINERS A CARLOAD

Deaths of Henry Abbott and Leland Clark.

THE GRIPPE

Is with us again. There are a great many cases in Lowell and vicinity. In most cases the disease is not as severe as in former years; but in many cases it runs into pneumonia, which is a serious matter especially with elderly people. The names of the sick ones are too numerous to mention.

COUNTY HOUSE HAS MANY INMATES.

Two homeless wayfarers were sent to the county poor house by the county superintendent Wednesday and that evening the institution had under its roof 127 charges, male and female. Of this number nearly two-thirds are charges of the city of Grand Rapids and are maintained by the municipality. "The hard times are causing great suffering in the city," said County Superintendent Mitchell, "and we have applications almost hourly from people who are out of work. People in the country are not suffering anything like as much, for as a usual thing they always have something to wear. This a hard year for the county poor department. This time last year we had eighty inmates in the poor house against 127 now."

WEDDING BELLS.

Married, in Keene, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs Catharine Lampkin, Wednesday evening, Dec. 6, Miss Lottie A. Lampkin to Chancey H. Ickes, of Sandusky, Ohio, by Rev. A. P. Moors. Only the immediate members of the family were present. Quite a number of beautiful presents were given to the happy pair. Mr. and Mrs. Ickes go at once to their home in Sandusky, Ohio.

HELP FOR THE MINERS.

The committee appointed to solicit aid for the suffering miners of the Gogebic district have done well, and by the first of next week a carload of flour, pork, beans and clothing will leave Lowell on its errand of mercy. Well done, citizens of Lowell.

DIDN'T GET HIM.

A petition was presented to the village council at its last meeting signed by a large number of business men asking for the appointment of a second night watch. It was laid on the table, the reason given for the action being heavy drafts upon the treasury for other purposes and the belief that the business men themselves should employ the needed watchman without taxing the rest of the village for it.

DEATH OF HENRY ABBOTT.

Keene township has lost one of its old pioneer residents. Henry Abbott died of dropsy at his home in that township on Monday, Dec. 4, aged 57 years. Mr. Abbott came to Michigan when a small boy and has lived in Keene township ever since. Funeral services were held at the M. E. church in Keene on Wednesday afternoon.

LELAND CLARK DEAD.

Leland Clark, formerly of this village, died at his home in Smyrna, Ionia county, of typhoid fever, at the

age of 44 years. He leaves a wife and five children the two youngest of whom, Myrtle aged 8 and Bessie aged 5, are sick unto death with the same disease.

CAPT. JOHN M. PRATT,

A sturdy old pioneer preacher, of the Methodist persuasion, who worked all along the Grand river valley from Grand Haven to Lansing, died last week aged 74 years. He held meetings in all the towns along the river and it is related that as a result of one season he baptised by immersion in the river sixty converts at Saranac and as many more by sprinkling. When the war broke out Mr. Pratt laid aside his sacred robes to raise a company of cavalry which he did in three days at Saranac and went to the front as its captain.

CHECKING UP THE BOOKS.

The finance committee of the Board of Supervisors has been settling up with the county register of deeds and the county clerk this week. Then they will put in three weeks settling up with the county treasurer. They expect to complete the work in time to report to the board at its January meeting.

Now put your chest protector on And heaviest brands of flannel don, For winter's coming o'er the hills With chills and ills and doctor bills.

This paper to Jan. 1, '95, \$1.

Jesse Church was in town Thursday.

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A. C. Stone was in Freeport Tuesday.

The new tariff bill is printed in this issue.

Dr. Coville, of Bekding, was in town Friday.

Geo. Coppens was in Grand Rapids yesterday.

Miss Grace Newton is afflicted with neuralgia.

Everlasting photographs beats them all, at Hiler's.

Eustace Anderson has been sick with the quinsy.

Rev. E. H. Shanks was in Grand Rapids Monday.

A winter of good sleighing ought to help business out.

Wilson's gallery is newly furnished. Get your photos there.

P. Kelly was doing business in Grand Rapids Monday.

Everything is new in Wilson's gallery over the post office.

Get your holiday pictures at Wilson's over the postoffice.

Mr. Hyde, of Greenville, spent Thanksgiving in Lowell.

John Kelly and E. O. Mains were in Grand Rapids Monday.

W. H. Clark was doing business in Grand Rapids Wednesday.

Miss Bessie Smith and Ned Sargent of Saranac, were in town Sunday.

The best stock of guns at the lowest prices at R. D. Stocking's. 16¢

Will VanSickle, of McCor's, and Edith Ellis, of Cascade, are married.

Miss Stella Ranney entertained the Young Ladies Club Wednesday night.

Miss May Brower is visiting her uncle, Oliver Brower, in South Boston.

Township Treasurer Eggleston is receiving taxes at the Lowell State Bank.

The soliciting committees for the Gogebic miners have been making the rounds.

A marriage license has been issued to Don Benson and Carrie Thorn, both of Ada.

H. W. Howland, of Marlette, was the guest of E. A. Speaker a portion of last week.

The Grand Rapids Chair Company is working full force, about 300 men, on full time.

Alex. Talbot and family, of Grand Rapids, spent Sunday with G. F. Lane and wife.

D. W. Brown, of Rome, Georgia, was the guest of E. A. Speaker and wife this week.

B. N. Keister was called to Pewamo Monday on account of the sudden illness of his sister.

Will Leary and wife have gone to Holton, Muskegon county, for a couple of months.

Gurnie Peckham, of Buffalo, N. Y., has been visiting his parents, A. H. Peckham and wife.

Albert Nightlinger and family, of Great Falls, Montana, are guests of H. Zeigler and wife.

Cards are out announcing the wedding of Miss Mata Winegar to Ernest R. A. Hunt, Dec. 18.

Rev. Wm. Judd, of Lyons, is expected to preach at the M. E. church next Sunday evening.

Geo. Balcomb, of Kalamazoo, was in town a few days this week visiting his many Lowell friends.

Many people improved the fine sleighing last Sunday, and the jingle of the bells made fine music.

Cora Bissell and Eda Goodsell were the guests of Wm. Buford of Fallsburg, Saturday and Sunday.

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Henry George will lecture before the Single Tax club at Grand Rapids on Monday evening, Dec. 18.

Vern Ward is assisting at the LEDGER office in place of S. S. Courtwright, who is laid up with the grippe.

A. J. Howk has been drawn as a special juror for the adjourned October term of the United States court.

Mrs. M. E. Hughson and sister, Mrs. Morse, of Grand Rapids, spent Sunday with their parents at Crystal Lake.

The dramatic entertainments given in Train's opera house last week Thursday and Friday evenings were slimly attended.

The spelling match announced for last Saturday evening did not take place, the interest taken not being sufficiently encouraging.

Miss Mammie Walsh wishes to say to those interested in instrumental music, both piano and organ, that she is prepared to teach at reasonable rates.

Will M. Hine, clerk at the New Livingston, has returned from a month's vacation and will go on watch tomorrow night.—[G. R. Democrat.

Mrs. A. W. Peacock, of Grand Rapids while visiting her parents, Harry Courtright and wife, was taken sick, and remained to be cared for by them.

Marriage licenses were issued Thursday to Deuing A. Housen and Augusta Herbert and to Luman C. Miller and Angie B. Lockwood, all of Lowell.

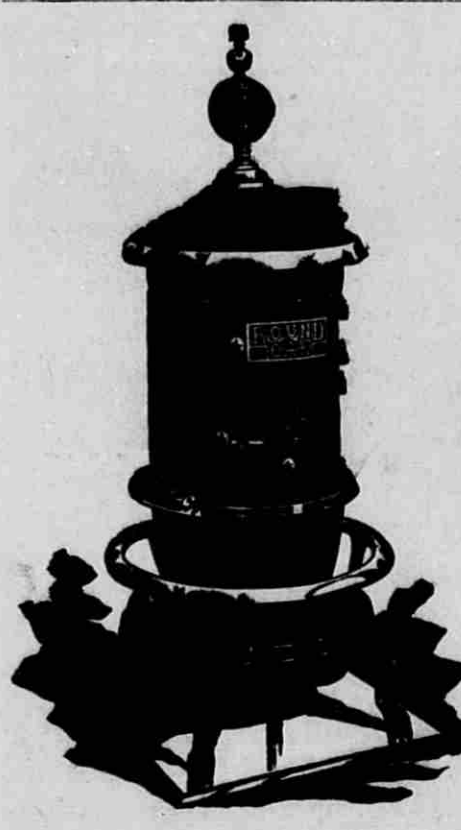
Hiler is agent for the best crayon houses in Chicago. Call on him for the permanent and fadeless cabinets before the 15th, for Christmas and save 25 per cent.

Freight rates on grain and flour in car load lots to eastern points have been reduced about five cents per hundred pounds. The new rate became effective Monday.

The young people made a surprise party on the Misses Allie and Minnie Berry Thursday evening. Dancing was indulged in and the party broke up after a merry time in the wee sma' hours.

A large and attractive display of Fancy goods and Materials, Linen Table Sets, Lunch Cloths, Splashes, Cnt. Ont. Table Mats, Wash Embroidery Silk, Roman Floss, Tassels, and all fancy work materials at Mrs. M. Hiler's. 26

Notice: The annual election of officers of Joseph Wilson post, G. A. R., Lowell, Michigan, will occur on Wednesday evening, December 13, 1893. All members and Grand Army men are cordially invited to attend. Signed, A. M. Barnes, Adjutant.



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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1893.

The work of getting a jury to try Prendergast—slayer of Mayor Harrison—has begun. A speedy and effective trial is desired.

The English mining strike is over. It cost over one hundred million dollars and of course the poor are the worst sufferers thereby.

The saloons of Detroit were closed Wednesday to allow the proprietors and bartenders to attend prayer-meeting. This is something new under the sun.

The Senate has done right in demanding to know all about the course of the administration in regard to the Hawaiian complication. All this secrecy is unbecoming the paid servants of a free people.

The good people of Chicago are turning their churches into homes of refuge for the poor of that city. The cushioned pews serve for beds and the ladies serve meals for the occupants. This is commendable, practical Christianity.

GENERAL ALGER, bless his kind old heart, is buying himself in the interests of the suffering miners of Northern Michigan. Cold days have no influence to deter the General from a kind act when he sees a chance. If the LEDGER were a republican paper, it would hurrah for Russell A. Alger for President.

How can labor be protected by tariff while immigration is free and unrestricted? It cannot be done, and every well-informed man knows that.—(Grand Rapids Dispatch.

Correct, and yet "Our laboring men—let us protect the dear boys from the pauper labor of Europe," has been the war cry for so many years. The protection actually given has consisted in raising the prices on articles the poor man has to buy.

The men who are seeking advantage for the republican party by charging the hard times on the democrats are sowing the wind and will reap the whirlwind in another year when times are better, as they surely will be. If democrats are to be blamed for the hard times now, they will be entitled to praise when good times come—as they will—under Cleveland.—(Grand Rapids Dispatch.

As George L. Yaple well said: "Protection protects the wrong man." For many years iron ore has been protected. In spite of this if not because of it—the mine owners and operators are millionaires and can build castles over the sea, while the miners themselves are now starving to death in Northern Michigan. What a spectacle! And now the dear people who have been taxed for years to protect these miners must go down into their pockets again to prevent starvation. We protected the mine owners and "trusted to their generosity to divide with their men." Now let's see 'em divide. Let's "sit and see 'em do it." Divide! Hall will be a skating rink first!

If Dr. Barth of Grand Rapids, is guilty of the crime charged against him, it is to be hoped that the band of

the profession will not intercede to prevent a just punishment. A poor, almost friendless, Swiss girl is the complainant, while Dr. Barth has a host of friends and a professional record. The tactics of the defense in securing adjournments of the case are such as usually disgrace our courts when criminals from high life are seeking to evade prosecution. In this case, Judge Haggerty has announced that when the case comes up for trial next Wednesday morning there shall be no more postponements. Right! Let the doctor stand trial, and if guilty let "the punishment fit the crime." If he is innocent, the sooner he lets the world know it, the better for the doctor and the profession he is alleged to have disgraced.

"HIS BOTTLE."

BY JOHN G. WOOLLEY.

William Greene, of Moorlands, Bickley, Kent, generous, rich, strong, and a Christian man with a wide influence, a beautiful family—and a cellar full of rare wines. God spoke to him one day and he was troubled about his wine and banished it from his board, and there it lay in the cobwebs and dust of the cellar under safe lock and key. And day after day God said to him, "What have you done with your wine?" And he answered once, "I have locked it fast and safe in the cellar and so it shall be to the end."

"What end?" said the voice. "Aye, what end. I am an old man. I shall die some day and what will become of my wine? . . . And this is the gospel of wine cellars according to William Greene. Satan said, "Sell it"; and then the voice said, "To whom?" "Or give it to a hospital and be a benefactor and get your name in the paper," and the voice said, "Wine is a mocker." "Or get the dealer to buy it back; the price is a little fortune." But the voice said, "It is yours, and your word is the infinite law for that wine wherever it goes it will carry a message from you." "Give me the money away," and the voice said, "No blessing of money can commute for the peril or woe of wine; no matter how wisely or kindly you plan, or how long you postpone the denouement, at last like a serpent it biteth and like an adder it stings."

And this is the way William Greene met the question: He emptied the cellar at Highgate and into the sewer broke twenty-five hundred bottles of wine, and writes in his letter: "Send me five thousand copies of 'Thy Bottle'!"

Moulting is the trying season for fowls, and they should have good care and Profit Poultry Food. It is said that this will keep them healthy, and make them lay like "the old scratch." The food is sold at

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Methodist Episcopal Church. Quarterly meeting services next Sunday. Love feast at 9:30 a. m., baptism, reception into full membership and sacramental services at 10:30. Preaching in the evening. All are cordially invited.

Congregational Church. Usual services morning and evening. Sabbath School at noon. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. All are cordially invited to attend the services. REV. JAS. PROVAN, Pastor.

Baptist Notes. Old Testament character series No. 3, "Abraham the faithful," will be the theme at next Sunday morning services. Preaching at 7:30. Young Peoples meeting at 6:30. Bible school at 12 o'clock, noon.

Next week we will have special meetings each evening except Monday and Saturday. All christian people and all who wish to become christians are invited to these services. All cordially invited. EMMETT H. SHANKS, Pastor.

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CORRESPONDENCE

ALTON. S. D. Norman is visiting his sister and other relatives in Minnesota.

Jefferson Godfrey of Belding, visited at his father's last Sunday.

School in the Baro district commenced Monday with Frank Lewis as teacher.

The Alton school commenced Monday with Maggie McVahon of Lowell, as teacher.

Mrs. Ernest Godfrey is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Hastings, of Lowell.

This vicinity seems to have its full share of sick people, among them are Chas. Jasevay and family, W.S. Fuller, John Andrews, Chas. Wilson, John Malone, Pat. Duffy and Mrs. Magdelena Krupf.

Elder C. P. Smith is conducting a series of protracted meetings here, services each evening this week except Saturday.

Many of the young people from this vicinity attended the Thanksgiving parties at Ada and Lowell. U. N.

GRATTAN GREETINGS. Arthur Bickford of Grand Rapids, a former resident here, is visiting friends in Grattan.

W. Pond and wife of Greenville, spent Thursday with their parents, R. Howard and wife.

C. Eddy and family of Belding, were the guests of their parents and grandparents, C. Close and wife Thursday.

Will Ward, who has been at Ann Arbor the past month, returned Saturday some what improved in health.

Married, Nov. 29, at the Baptist sanctuary by Rev. M. P. Smith, Elmer Brooks, one of Grattan's highly esteemed young men, to Miss Fannie Northway, of Keene. Their many friends are extending congratulations.

Through the untiring efforts of Miss M. Cornell, a teacher's rally will be held at the church Friday evening, Dec. 15. A fine program is being arranged and A. H. Smith of Grand Rapids, will be present to deliver an address. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Notwithstanding the severe snow storm, over sixty guests assembled at the residence of Mrs. H. Lesiter Saturday evening, Dec. 2, to surprise her son, Will, in honor of his nineteenth birthday. Mrs. P. McCauley read an original poem; refreshments were served and at a very late hour the merry company dispersed wishing him many happy returns, and a long life in which to enjoy the ring presented by the family.

SARANAC. From the Local, Dec. 1. Frank Bishop of this township, has moved to Potosky this week.

Gen. W. Bork was paid \$178.50 insurance on household goods lost in the recent fire.

Mrs. A. W. Holcomb, of this village, died last Friday afternoon after a long and painful illness with consumption.

Saranac hunters have returned, but the venison supply has been just as scarce in this vicinity as before they went north.

Abe Deuel, of this village, has been near death during the past week from a chronic ailment. He is a little better at present.

The Commercial hotel was sold at receiver's sale last Saturday to Ball, Barnhart, Putnam Co. of Grand Rapids. Sam Crum will remain as landlord for the present.

Belding has an incipient gold mine; Lowell is bragging over a deposit of lead ore. Now can't Saranac say something about this? It is certain that chunks of coal have been found on Lake creek between here and Morrison lake.

Several weeks ago a couple of tramps were arrested on the charge of stealing some money and a watch from a transient man in Lonia. The tramps were arrested, but owing to lack of evidence, were discharged. The watch which was stolen was found somewhere near where the tramps were taken, by a man living west of Lowell, and this village obtained it from the party that found it and it will be retained by him for the rightful owner.

BELDING. From the Star, Dec. 1. Chas. R. Foote continues to improve.

Elmer E. Smith, an Oswego attorney, has decided to locate in Belding.

The Spencer Electric Light & Power Co. has completed its plant and is now in operation.

The Belding corned band has reorganized. To a John Oehm and wife, a boy-born Monday.

Belding is to have still another jeweler, Clem Higbee, of Charlotte.

I. L. Hubbard was at Grattan Center on legal business last Saturday.

A. T. Gerardy, of Flashing, has started a barber shop in the basement under Earle & Bumler's store.

The Willard Fountain, the gift of the temperance children of the world, has been removed from the World's Fair, and now stands in Willard Hall. There it will stay until it is presented to the city of Chicago next spring.

LOWELL MARKETS.

Invariably corrected every Friday morning. Wheat, white, @ 55 5/8. Wheat, red, @ 55 1/2. Corn, @ 30 1/2. Oats, @ 25 1/2. Barley, per hundred, @ 85. Flour, per hundred, @ 1.80. Pork, per cwt., @ 13.00. Middlings, per ton, @ 14.00. Corn Meal, per ton, @ 30.00. Lard, @ 15.00. Butter, @ 18.00. Eggs, @ 40.00. Hens, @ 1.10. Chickens, @ 1.25. Pork, @ 5.25. Cabbage, per dozen, @ 6.75. Chickens, @ 5.00. Wool, washed, @ 10.00. Apples, per bushel, @ 2.00. Onions, @ 2.25.

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Remaining in the Post Office at Lowell Mich., week ending Dec. 2, 1893. LADIES—Doll Odell. Gen. Lewis Ayers, O.S. Barnes, M. H. Clark, Frank E. Parker, Boy Lacie, J. H. Malone, W. C. Pinkham, Bert Prayton, John Randall, Bervaford Benschaw, Jesse VanDerhulst, Frank Westberry. Persons claiming the above, will please say "advertised" and give date of list. LEONARD H. HUNT, P. M. A STRAIGHT POINTER. You can make twelve Christmas presents by sitting for a dozen of our permanent and fadeless aristo cabinets. How can you provide as satisfactory presents for the amount of money and save 25 per cent? Come now before the holiday rush at Hiller's gallery. BUCKLE UP! BUCKLE UP! THE BEST BUCKLE IN THE WORLD FOR Cabs, Buses, Bores, etc. Salt, Rheum, Fever, Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chills, Cuts, and Skin Diseases, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. FOR SALE BY HUNTER & SON. (72) CLUBBING RATES. We have decided to furnish the reading public with newspapers at hitherto unheard of prices. Examine the list and see what you want. The Lowell Ledger and the Detroit Free Press one year for \$1.75. The Ledger and Detroit Tribune one year for \$1.40. The Ledger and Toledo Blade one year for \$1.80. The Ledger and Grand Rapids Democrat one year for \$1.80. The Ledger and Grand Rapids Herald one year for \$1.96.

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The Indians in some parts of Oregon are offering points for sale at from \$2.50 to \$7 apiece. The high water prevented the usual run of salmon in the big rivers and this has meant a great loss to the Indians, many being practically ruined thereby.

The Moors at Mellila fled like frightened rabbits when the Spaniards turned a search light on them. This is a much less expensive method than dynamite guns, and as it is much more harmless, it is far preferable. When the search light comes to have an effect on the Spaniards should turn the hose on them.

That bumptious justice back in Hartford who sent to jail a poor man ignorant of court etiquette, merely because he did not remain unobscured when within a step or two of the outer door, ought to be made to hear every time he walks the street a chorus of gamins whistling. "Everybody take their hat off to me."

American women are yearly growing more independent. The statistics show that over 3,000,000 women are earning independent incomes in this country. There are some 2,500 practicing medicine, 6,000 managing postoffices, 275 preaching the gospel and in New York city alone 27,000 of them supporting their husbands.

Merely because a New York foot ball player drove his head into the ground with such force as to kill him is no reason why the great game should not still command the public's attention if decently conducted. Accidents will happen in any field of sport. There is only one menace of foot ball's popularity, and that is the slugger.

Just as a prisoner came into court in San Francisco to have a date set for trial a lawyer was citing the record of a Michigan murder case, in which the defendant had been very prisoner in times ago. Some people call this a coincidence. In the mind of the prisoner, however, it is ranked as beastly bad luck. It spoiled his anemic pose.

Professor GARNER is now back from Africa, bringing his monkey language with him. We can now learn the tongue that our ancestors (according to Darwinism) talked thousands of years ago, and long before they talked Sanscrit. Philologists have long been seeking in vain to find the earliest tongue of the race. Professor Garner has found it. Darwin was right.

In view of the fact that Monday is the Greek Sunday, Tuesday the day of rest among the Persians, Wednesday among the Egyptians, Friday among the Turks and Saturday among the Jews, it is plain that the man who has conscientious scruples against working on Sunday can't do anything else than join the noble order of the Sons of Rest.

Last summer the St. Nicholas hotel at Lake Mohican, N. Y., was burned, with a loss of \$50,000. The proprietor at once started rebuilding and had it fairly under way when an eight-foot brick chimney that had been left standing fell and crushed the work. Undaunted, he resumed, and had five stories well up when a cyclone came along, and blew down 125 feet of the structure.

The storage battery as a motor for street cars is gradually proving its usefulness. The practicability of this motive power was long in doubt, but it seems now to be only a question of time when all electric street cars will be run without trolleys. It is announced that in New York an experiment with six storage battery cars run on the Second avenue line has been completely successful and that other cars are to be added.

The sad news comes from England that a new whistle is being brought out, capable of being blown at a distance of two miles. The effect is produced by placing inside of the metal bulb a perforated revolving disc. What with siren whistles, megaphones and such a new invention of the devil, some of us will begin to envy the inmates of the deaf and dumb asylums before very long.

This assassin Prendogast has a quarrel with his attorney, in that he strenuously objects to a plea of insanity being entered in his behalf. He does not talk about this incoherently, but intelligently, and with as much sang froid as an ordinary man would discuss the merits of a dinner. He pleads justification and wants that plea entered. The mayor had promised him an appointment as corporation counsel, and because the promise was not kept he killed him.

IT IS UNDER THE BAN.

PECULIAR INSTITUTION OF TORONTO IN MONTREAL.

Dr. Jacques' "Convent," Where Religious Fanatics Can Enter and Scourge Themselves—The Canadian Cardinal Will Stamp the Place Out.

(Montreal Correspondence.) NE OF THE MOST mysterious and peculiar institutions that exist in a modern age has just been unearthed in the heart of Montreal. Women immured in a private dwelling called a convent, their lives devoted to torture and self-scourging, a notion shocking themselves in chains, a small community entirely cut off from human ties, such is the private convent of Dr. Jacques.

The latter is a French physician, at one time having a good practice in Montreal, but years ago he became afflicted with what can not be called otherwise than a religious mania. A way of a philanthropic turn of mind, Dr. Jacques has become insane on a notion where women tired of the world could expiate their sins and find heaven in scourging and penalties.

The private convent founded in Montreal by Dr. Jacques has now come under the examination of the Roman Catholic authorities, and both Cardinal Taschereau and Archbishop Faber, at the head of the diocese of Montreal, have decided to suppress the convent which is situated in Amherst street.

Dr. Jacques for years past has labored under the illusion that a mysterious voice compelled him to start a religious institution. At first he did not dare to ask the permission of the authorities of the Catholic church, who laugh at his plans and pronounced them impracticable. Dr. Jacques traveled through the greater part of Europe, and decided to suppress the convent for ideas that would favor his scheme here.

He returned to Montreal in 1868, when the great smallpox epidemic was raging and the people were dying by thousands. He went heart and soul into the work of saving the people and, it is said, attended himself 1,500 cases free of charge.

Among the families Dr. Jacques met was the family of the late St. Jerome, who had come to Montreal with letters of recommendation to Dr. Jacques. They all took the disease and the six girls in the family made a vow that if their lives were spared they would turn nuns. This was an opportunity for which the doctor had long been looking, and he immediately founded his convent. This was some eight years ago, and since that time the entire family have been inmates of this peculiar institution.

The sisterhood is composed of six Abbess girls and their father and mother act as caretakers and drudges for all kinds of work, while Dr. Jacques presides as the spiritual head of the institution. The eldest of the three sisters is the Mother Superior, and is 30 years old. All wear, in the name of religion, a red habit with white veil.

Perpetual silence is enjoined, except during one hour of the day, the morning and evening at 6 o'clock in the morning and at 6 p. m. At 4:30 in the morning they pray for an hour before the cross. During the entire day they sing and sing hymns, even while attending to the necessary housekeeping duties, which are few in number, as simple as possible. The food of the plainest possible description and the table utensils are of wood.

In the second story of the convent, there is a very modest w. o. n. building, are the kitchen, the dining room and the "hall of exercises" which is decorated with flowers, quotations from the scripture, crosses, holy pictures and all the accessories of a private chapel. At one side stands a wooden column four feet high, decorated with chains, scourges, a crown of thorns and other instruments of the most atrocious tortures. "Her name is Maria," has been accepted by the Vienna Opera house. It has not been kept burning day and night in imita-

several minutes before the last of the pictures.

In the course of a statement made by Dr. Jacques he said: "There is not the slightest doubt that the religious authorities of the Catholic church have sanctioned the institution for a long time past. It is a fact that Monsignor the Archbishop of Montreal has never officially given me authority to continue the institution, but his silence has refused it, and I feel perfectly safe in my mind on that point."

The latest developments, however, seem to show that it is the intention of the Catholic authorities to break up forever this peculiar institution. Dr. Jacques still continues the practice of medicine, and as a physician is very popular among the poor of his district, but the French Catholic papers are of the opinion that his private convent should be done away with.

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THE WOMEN OF UTICA.

HOT POLITICS IN THE GREAT EMPIRE STATE.

Democrats and Republicans Nominate Opposing Tickets of the Battles of the City—Are Having An Interesting Time of It.

(Utica Correspondence.) HE PRECEDENT established in this county three years ago of nominating women for school commissioners, when the democrats of the First Onondaga district named Miss Laura F. Mayhew of a popular politician of that town, and whose home is almost beneath the shadows of the trees on the farm of ex-Gov. Horatio Seymour. A few days later the democrats of the Third district put Mrs. Nellie K. Tibbitts of Camden on their ticket.

The republicans saw danger in the departure from the old way, but they named men for the places in every district. All four districts are usually republican, but Miss Mayhew and Mrs. Tibbitts were easily elected, their majorities being 170 and 264 respectively.

The two women who were chosen have during the last three years performed their duties in a way that has won for them the praise of all. So well, indeed, did these women conform to the public that they were both re-elected this fall, although Miss Mayhew had said repeatedly that under no circumstances would she accept. Upon being informed of her nomination she immediately withdrew, and Miss Cora A. Davis of the Second district, and Miss Lillian Stephenson of Whitesboro, the former being the principal and the latter a very competent assistant. They are equally well known and well liked, but Miss Stephenson has the advantage of being the daughter of the president of the village. That the race between these two ladies will be an interesting feature of the campaign can be easily predicted.

They have each entered upon the work with the most friendly feeling, and a house to house canvass is being carried on. In making a political call the other candidates was a shrewd into a parlor where her opponent was sitting, the only setting forth her claims.

Mr. Dennison has just given an opinion that women can vote. Mr. Dennison quotes article 3, section 1 of the state constitution in which it is prescribed the qualification requisite for a state to vote for an officer, elective by the people, which shall be every male citizen 21 years of age, upon all questions which may be submitted to the vote of the people. It is claimed, however, that the right to vote for school commissioners is not a question of sex, but of ability, and that the right to vote for school commissioners is not a question of sex, but of ability, and that the right to vote for school commissioners is not a question of sex, but of ability.

A series of investigations have for some years past been made at the waterworks of the city of Zurich for the purpose of testing the effect of filtration at various rates up to 3,700 gallons per square yard per twenty-four hours, with a view to ascertain whether the regulation quantity of 1,100 to 1,500 gallons to the square yard for twenty-four hours could be safely increased, or whether additional filter beds should be at once constructed to meet the constantly growing demand. The results show that, provided the filter beds are of efficient working order, neither the chemical nor the bacteriological purity of the filtered water is impaired by increasing the rate of percolation from 1,000 gallons to 2,500 gallons daily, a fact which is in accordance with the commonly entertained opinion, namely, that the mean rate of percolation through sand filters should be limited to 250 gallons the square yard per twenty-four hours. These experiments have been widely quoted on account of their bearing on a much discussed question.

The shot film on the spot. Mrs. Augusta Schneider, a wealthy lady and adopted daughter of Baroness von Kottow, late of Kokomo, Ind., shot and killed Oscar Walton, one of her tenants, near Walton, Ind., last week. The victim is the son of the founder of Walton and an esteemed citizen. They quarreled over the management of the farm, when the doctor revolver and shot him dead. She surrendered to the officers and is in jail at Logansport. She recently got judgment for a large amount against her adopted mother's estate after long litigation.

Adolphus Ombreg died in Rome, Ga., recently, from a musquito bite on the foot.

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As the Great Fair Fades Away Like a Dream the Dreamer Grows Sadder. Some Latter Day Scenes in and Around the Park.

(World's Fair Correspondence.) DURING THESE latter days, some who have done their duty to the Fair can now enjoy themselves in leisurely saunterings of pleasure not to be had by such as have put off their sight-seeing until late in the season.

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P. H. O'Brien of Grand Rapids, went to Grattan Monday on a hunting trip. He bagged several good dinners, had an enjoyable drive and returned home without any game but well satisfied.

A warrant was issued Wednesday afternoon by Justice Court Clerk Robinson, of Grand Rapids, on complaint of Ludwig Alben of Cannoa, for the arrest of Abraham Metzger of the same township. According to the complainant, Metzger threatened the well being of complainant with a hickory club.

There is always something new in the line of socials. The latest are known as "hand socials." The ladies squeeze the gentlemen's hand until they hand over a dime. We know nice modest young men right here in Cedar Springs who would not shell out until they had been squeezed a half dollar's worth.—[Clipper.]

Boys see here! Bring us five year subscriptions or subscriptions amounting to \$5, and we will make you a Christmas present of a patent tubular hand sled "Youth's Companion" worth \$2. Call at the office and see sample. Here is the chance of a lifetime to secure a handsome sleigh for a little effort. Go in for it with a will.

It is mighty mean to patronize a merchant who will trust you until you get so far in debt to him that you are ashamed to see him, and then go and spend your cash somewhere else where you couldn't get credit; but there are people who do it. The honorable way would be to spend your cash with the merchant who trusted you, even if you never expected to square up the old account.



Ada has a new doctor.

Edward Stauffer and Bertha White of Bowne are married.

James Muir, of Cascade, was in Grand Rapids Saturday.

Belle Johnson, of Middleville, is dead, and only 17 years old.

Jas. Menzies and wife, of East Caladonia, have a new daughter.

Chas. Nellist and Myrta Clark, of Ada, were married November 30.

Grand Rapids will join the new base ball league and will put a good team in the field.

Amos Spaulding, one of I. J. Terple's teamsters, is very ill at the Ada hotel with typhoid fever.

George C. Fitzsimons and wife have sold to Sluman S. Bailey a piece of land on sec 28, Ada, consideration \$300.

The Grand Rapids Evening Press, always alive and active in a good cause, has started a "good cheer" cart for the relief of the suffering poor of that city.

There were 97 cases of contagious diseases reported to the Grand Rapids board of health last month, 49 of which were measles, 23 typhoid fever and 22 chicken pox, with the remainder scarlet fever.

The calendar for the December term of the Circuit court was issued Saturday. There are 12 criminal cases noted for trial, 33 issues of fact—jury, 145 issues of fact non jury, 9 cases of law and imparlance and 76 chancery cases.

Frank O'Donnell, an inmate of the Soldier's Home, met with a serious accident near the Soldier's home dummy station Sunday night. He was struck by the dummy as it approached

the station and sustained a compound fracture of the right leg. O'Donnell was under the influence of liquor when the accident occurred and failed to get off the track in time as the dummy approached.

Miss Ida M. Haggard, the new police matron, entered upon her duties Saturday at Grand Rapids. She is comfortably located in a suite of three rooms on the upper floor of the station and will live there hereafter. Her duties are to look after the female prisoners brought in and she will also do a little detective work when occasion requires.

The authorities of the Soldiers' Home have received word from Mrs. A. T. Bliss of Saginaw, who is department commander of the Woman's Relief corps, that the responses to requests from G. A. R. and W. R. C. posts, patriotic individuals, etc., now show that every room in the woman's annex to the Soldiers' Home will be furnished without a dollar of cost to the state, and well furnished too.

A sad case of youthful depravity came to light Saturday when Dr. W. F. Hake reported to the Board of Health the birth of a baby girl born Nov. 30 at the Union Benevolent Association home. The age of the mother was given as fourteen years and that of the father as twenty-six. A reporter called on Dr. Hake last night and was told the story as he had learned it. He said about two months ago a hardworking young man came and wanted him to see his sister, who was at another sister's home on the West Side. He visited her and recommended that she be moved to one of the hospitals. This was done and Thanksgiving day a bright seven-pound daughter was born to her. The mother and her babe are doing well. The mother was fourteen last May and is small of her age. She does not seem to realize the awful depth of misery to which she has been brought. She told of the horrible crime of which this is the result in a manner to bring tears to the eyes of her listeners. She was at her home in Byron Center one day when her parents were gone. A cousin who was working for the father came into the house, and finding her alone assaulted her. She was then thirteen years old. A warrant has been issued for the cousin's arrest, as the girl was under the age of consent fixed by the state statutes.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Lowell Dec. 4, 1893.

Council called to order by the President: present Chas. McCarty, Pres.; A. W. Burnett, Recorder; E. Quick, A. B. Johnson, D. G. Look, Trustees.

The following bills were presented and approved by the finance committee and on motion by Quick, supported by Look the Recorder was instructed to draw orders on Treasurer for the amounts. Yeas 4.

Chas. Westbrook,	\$4 00	Fire Fund
J. C. Moore,	7 45	"
Chas. D. Blakeslee,	41 66	Gen. "
A. W. Burnett,	10 00	"
St. Comr. Orders,	325 22	St. "
S. Brower,	2 50	Gen. "
A. B. Knowlson,	388 74	"
C. J. Church & Son,	144 11	"
S. F. Edmonds,	10 40	"

Petition for extra night watch. On motion by Quick supported by Johnson the petition was laid on the table. Yeas 4.

Petition for opening Brush street to its terminus. On motion by Quick supported by Look the marshal was ordered to open Brush street to its terminus. Yeas 4.

On motion by Look supported by Quick that bids be received at the next regular meeting for publishing Council proceedings for the coming year. Yeas 4.

On motion by Johnson supported by Quick the recorder was instructed to notify the county treasurer that one of the sureties on three saloon bonds is not deemed sufficient security. Yeas 4.

On motion by Quick supported by Look the sewer committee be ordered to construct a sewer in the alley back of the block on north side Bridge st. between Water st. and Monroe st. and also a sewer in the alley back of Bank

block on south side of Bridge st. between Water st. and Monroe st. connecting with main on Monroe st., said sewer to be built with eight inch sewer pipe. Yeas 4.

On motion by Quick supported by Burnett the marshal's report was accepted and placed on file. Yeas 4.

On motion Council adjourned.
A. W. BURNETT,
Recorder.

SUPPOSING.

Published by Request of a Lady Reader.

Supposing you were in your wife's place, and supposing she were in your place—well, what then?

Would you like to have her join a half dozen lodges and clubs, and be absent six nights out of the week until midnight while you stayed at home and poulticed the croupy baby with onions and throzzled catnip tea down its poor little throat?

Would you enjoy having her come home at the small hours of the night so dizzy headed that she couldn't find the keyhole, and so full of music that she roused the entire neighborhood with her vocal performances?

Supposing she took the money that ought to go to pay the coal bill and the butcher's bill and the grocery bill, and spent it betting on horses and at pool rooms, and at third-rate theatres and hotel bars, and supposing you had to go half clothed, and didn't have a dime to spend as you pleased—what then?

Would it be at all surprising if you wished you had never seen her? and would anybody blame you if you talked about going home to mother's?

Supposing you wanted a new Bonnet—and of course you would if you were a woman—and you were told that your extravagance was ruinous, and that the old bonnet was just the proper thing, and supposing that very day the partner of your bosom spent ten dollars going off on a ride with the boys—what then?

Supposing you were in your wife's place, and she were in yours, would you cordially enjoy having her treating other women to ice cream and cake, while you stayed in the hot kitchen and cooked corned beef and potatoes, and scrubbed pots and kettles?

Would you like to have her come home from down town, when you had the sick headache, smelling of whisky and tobacco smoke, and slamming all the doors in the house, and demanding why in the world dinner wasn't ready?

Would you like to work hard all day, doing the best you could, only to be told that you didn't earn your salt, and that the supper wasn't fit to for a pig, and that "mother" never would have thought of setting such a meal before anybody?

Supposing you were in your wife's place, and she were in yours, would you like to hear her swear every time anything did not go to suit her? Would you like to have her read the newspaper all the time she was in the house?

Would you like to have her simply grunt out an unintelligible reply when you asked her who she saw down-town, or what the news was? Would you?

Would you like to have her toss her stockings, and collars, and handkerchiefs to the four corners of the earth, while she was searching for a pair of gloves that were lying right before her eyes on the bureau?

Would you feel that you were doing the highest work designed for you from the creation when you hung up two overcoats and a half dozen hats three times a day, every day in the three hundred and sixty-five—not to mention the picking up of old boots and rubbers and canes and umbrellas during the same length of time?

Supposing you were in your wife's place, shouldn't you like to be told occasionally that your efforts to make home pleasant were appreciated? Shouldn't you like to know that though the days of courtship and love-making were over, something of the affection which once made life so delightful still remained?

Wouldn't you like to believe that though you were old married folks, and too old for nonsense, you held the first place in your companion's heart, and that the fire of affection still burned steady and warm upon the sacred hearthstone of home never to be quenched until death's hand extinguished it?
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